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Honorable Barbara Cubin  
Member of Congress  
Attn: Ms. Vivian Stokes  
100 East B Street, Suite 4003  
Casper, WY 82601

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Dear Congresswoman Cubin:

Thank you for your letter of June 6, 2001, in which you enclosed comment forms from five of the families who live near the Defense Technologies facility in Casper. EPA will review this information as we continue our investigation of complaints of health problems from nearby residents.

The results from EPA's initial quick sampling of soil, indoor dust and well water in the area should be available by June 20, 2001. Once we have reviewed these results, we will determine our next steps, which will likely include more intensive sampling and consultation with our national experts in chemistry, sampling and air monitoring from EPA's Environmental Response Team (ERT).

We understand that the uncertainty of this situation is very difficult for residents in the area and would like them to know that EPA is working with several people from Wyoming's Department of Health and Department of Environmental Quality, as well as the County Health Department, in addressing their concerns.

Once the initial sampling results are known, we will be back in touch with more information. In the meantime, if you or your staff have additional concerns, please call me or Sandy Fells, our Regional Congressional Liaison, at 303-312-6604. Once again, we appreciate your writing on behalf of these Casper families.

Sincerely,

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